

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

In re Application of: : Group Art Unit:
B. GIORA, et al. :
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Entitled: : Examiner:
DATA COMMUNICATIONS INTERFACES:
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: Docket No: CH9-2000-0065
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Serial No.: : Mahopac, NY 10541
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Filed: January 31, 2001 : Date: January 31, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

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In Claims:

Claim 4, line 1, delete "or claim 3".

Claim 5, line 1, change "any preceding claim" to
--claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 2, change "any preceding claim" to
--claim 1--.

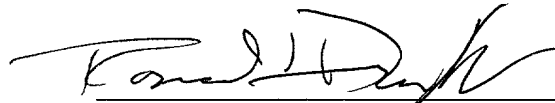
Claim 7, lines 2-3, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to
--claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 2, change "any of claims 1 to 5" to
--claim 1--.

REMARKS

Multiple dependency has been eliminated. Please enter
this amendment before calculation of the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,



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